

Budget announcement K. ready to float jointly with E.E.C.

JPL. — The British government announced yesterday it is ready to float the British pound with the currencies of other common market countries against the dollar. But it laid rigid conditions.

Mr. Barber in his speech to Parliament said the essential condition for a joint float against the dollar would be a pledge by each member country to keep its currency within a narrow band around the pound.

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ROGERS SAYS: Haiphong harbour open

WASHINGTON (UPI). — Secretary of State William Rogers said yesterday Haiphong harbour has been reopened and some ships were going through to North Vietnam.

He told the House Foreign Affairs Committee: "We received the report this morning that some ships are going through. I think the harbour is open."

U.S. minesweeping operations to clear the harbour, closed for 10 months by U.S. mining, resumed last weekend after the North Vietnamese and Vietcong released another group of U.S. prisoners of war. It had been halted briefly last week when the Communists appeared to be backing at the release of prisoners on schedule.

Mr. Rogers told members of the committee that the peace agreement and cease-fire in Vietnam was going smoothly and he was confident — at least as far as military operations were concerned — that it would be a success.

He acknowledged however that a political settlement in South Vietnam faced "a lot of problems."

Several members of the committee said they were concerned about the North Vietnamese emplacement of surface-to-air missiles in northern South Vietnam. Mr. Rogers said the matter was before the four-nation International Control Commission that is supervising the cease-fire.

"The fact is," he said, "that things are working out pretty well. There seems to be a good working relationship with the terms of the agreement very well."

Mr. Rogers also said the Nixon Administration will seek prior authority from Congress for any economic assistance programme to Vietnam.

As he did in a Monday session before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Mr. Rogers asked that the controversy over aid be kept to a minimum for the next month or so. Such a recess in debate would allow the release of American prisoners to be completed and would also provide time for the administration to formulate its proposals.

Ammunition found
at Rome airport

ROME (UPI). — Customs agents yesterday found 166 rounds of ammunition hidden inside a washroom next to a departure gate at Rome's Fiumicino international airport, police said.

Two red ammunition belts containing the 38 calibre bullets were found stuffed inside the washroom's towel dispenser, just a few metres from international departure gate 14, a spokesman said.

Customs agents using dogs that detect the smell of explosives searched the airport but found nothing more, he said.

2 hurt by shoebox
bomb in Morocco

CASABLANCA, Morocco (AP). — Two Moroccan bomb disposal experts were hurt yesterday by a bomb hidden in a shoebox discovered at the U.S. Cultural Centre. The bomb went off at a military camp outside the city.

Another bomb was found on Saturday under the car of an official at the American consulate. It was disarmed without causing any injury.

Hussein hints he may commute executions

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter
Jordan's King Hussein last night hinted he would spare the lives of a Fatah group sentenced to death for anti-Jordanian subversive activity, on condition the terrorist movement halted its campaign against his regime "at once."

The terrorists must immediately end their activities against Jordan, the King said in a reply to a message from Kuwait's ruler Sabah Salem Sabah. The Kuwaiti sheikh had urged Hussein to "reconsider" a death penalty passed Sunday on Fatah leader Mohammed Daud Oudh (Abu Daud) and a score of terrorists who were captured in Amman last month while planning to take over the Jordanian Prime Minister's office during a Cabinet meeting.

Stressing he was determined to put an end to terrorist activity in Jordan, Hussein told the Kuwaiti ruler he also wanted the Arab governments to guarantee the terrorists' conduct.

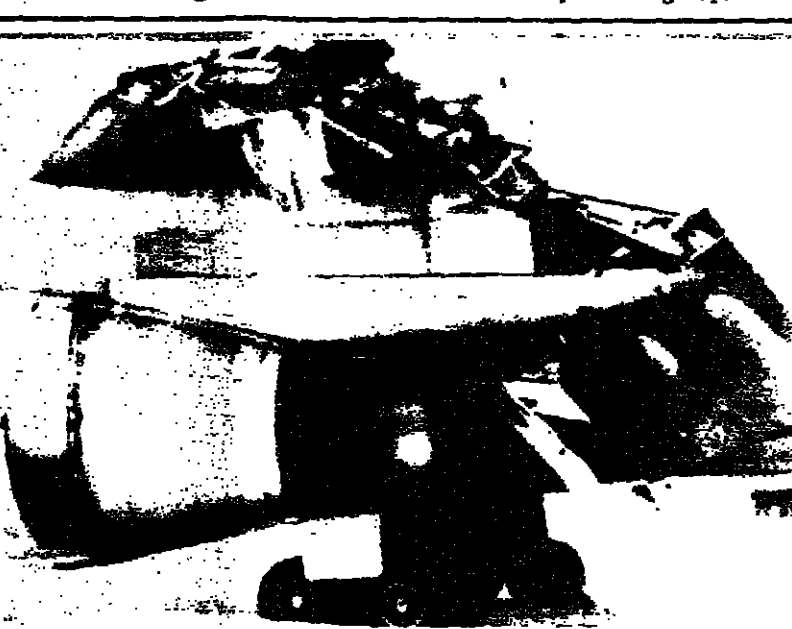
The Jordanian monarch criticized the terrorist operations in Munich, Khartoum and plane hijackings, adding the Arab leaders "should shoulder their responsibility with courage and honesty." The terrorists must be mobilized to "unite the Arabs, not divide them, and should be an Arab weapon against the enemy, not a weapon which the enemy uses against our cause."

Hussein last night indicated he



KING HUSSEIN

was using the condemned Fatah group as a whip against the terrorist movement and their supporting Arab states, implying he would withhold the execution pending an Arab decision on whether to restrain the terrorist activity. If the offer is rejected, Hussein may be expected to execute the Fatah captives, believed to be members of the Black September group.



With its wing ripped, Spanish Spantax charter company's Coronado airliner pictured after landing at military air base in Cognac, France, after colliding with Iberia Airlines jetliner in which 68 lost their lives. There were no injuries aboard the Coronado.

Airlines cancel flights over France French say pilot to blame for air crash

PARIS (UPI). — French authorities said yesterday Monday's collision of two Spanish jetliners in which 88 persons died was due to flight errors by one of the pilots. They rejected claims that military traffic controllers were to blame.

But striking civilian controllers said the collision was due to the inexperience of air force technicians manning the controls. And the Spanish airline company of one of the planes involved in the crash also blamed faulty flight control from the ground.

The French air traffic controllers' unions declared in a joint communiqué that the "intricate and inconsiderate attitude of the government, which sought at all costs to install a control system unfit to meet the needs of civil air traffic, must bear the full and sole responsibility for this tragic accident."

A growing number of airlines ordered their planes not to fly over France.

The International Federation of Air Traffic Controllers Associations (IFATCA) asked its 65 national affiliates to refuse to handle flights over France during the strike, now in its third week.

At least 18 airlines cancelled or modified flights over France yesterday.

On the other hand, Air France continued flights from Paris to London with a stop-over in Rome. It will continue its flights from Brussels to Paris in the immediate future. Its passengers in Paris will travel by bus to Brussels to board the flight there.

Lufthansa and Swiss Air suspended flights after the collision, then resumed them after receiving assurances of maximum safety precautions from the French authorities.

In London, the International Federation of Airline Pilots Associations (IFALPA) said initial evidence suggested the disaster was caused by a traffic control error.

French Transport Minister Robert Galley and Air Force Chief of Staff Gen. Claude Grigaut told a news conference the collision occurred when the pilot of a Spantax Charter Concorde, carrying 109 persons, failed to execute instructions and hit an Iberia airline DC9 jetliner with its wing.

The DC9 exploded and crashed, killing 61 passengers and seven crewmen. The explosion at an altitude of 9,000 metres scattered the bodies of the victims and charred pieces of the twin jet in a wide area south of Nantes, Brittany.

headed for London from Palma, Majorca, was due to pass over Nantes eight minutes before the Spantax craft.

Meanwhile the Spantax company said faulty flight and radar control were responsible for the collision. The company said that French ground control should have ensured that the two aircraft were kept the right distance apart.

France nearly had a second airline collision on Monday, the Swedish news agency reported yesterday.

The report from Stockholm said SAS pilot Rolf Bandell reported a big plane suddenly crossed his course at the same altitude Monday near Abbeville, in northern France. The report said Bandell was flying a Boeing 730 jet with 178 persons aboard, bound for the Canary Islands.

The military air controllers replacing the strikers at French airports had not informed him of any other plane in the vicinity, Bandell said. When he reported the near-collision, he said he was answered: "understood, understood."

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NUMEIRI BLASTS Fatah, says it planned raid Wants ringleader given up

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter and agencies
Sudan's President Jaafar Numeiri yesterday accused the Fatah of masterminding the Black September weekend attack on the Saudi Arabian Embassy in Khartoum where three hostage diplomats were murdered. He also declared that terrorist organization activity in Sudan would be suspended.

Speaking over Khartoum's Omdurman radio, President Numeiri said that the murder operation was planned by the Fatah representative in Khartoum who shortly before the eight terrorists shot their way into the Saudi Arabian embassy last Thursday night — left aboard a Libyan airliner for Tripoli.

He said Fatah must hand over its Khartoum representative to the Sudanese authorities.

Numeiri said the eight terrorists are to stand trial for murder. "I am confident the courts will pass a just punishment." He did not mention the death penalty which is provided for murder under Sudanese law.

Numeiri called on all Arab countries to join him in condemning the attack and the killings. "There is no heroism in seizing a few unarmed people to hold them hostage at gunpoint for demands that everyone knows are impossible to meet and then slaughtering them like sheep to keep their bodies rotting for 24 hours," said Numeiri. "This is contrary to the Moslem religion."

Accusing the terrorists of having committed an "intolerable crime" against innocent diplomats and against state security, Numeiri said that the Sudanese authorities captured documents at the Fatah office showing that the terrorists had violated Sudan's sovereignty.

He said other documents found there were being investigated by the Sudanese authorities, and said he was concerned about them because they indicated the Fatah was conspiring against Ethiopia.

ATTACK LEADER
The man who actually led the attack against the Saudi Embassy was the second man in Fatah's office, and an announcer on a Fatah radio programme broadcast by Omdurman radio, Numeiri said, adding, "There were also contacts (between the Fatah men) and some elements which oppose the Sudanese Government."

By his speech last night, Numeiri became the first Arab leader outside Jordan to blast the terrorist movement. In fact, his anti-terrorist remarks paralleled those of King Hussein who has been in an open confrontation with the terrorists for over two years.

The Sudanese leader said the Khartoum killings had cancelled out world condemnation of Israel's recent attack in Lebanon and the downing of a Libyan civilian airliner over Sinai.

Numeiri called for a reorganization of the terrorist movement and for stricter controls on it in Arab countries.

He said he has sent messages to Arab governments and to the Secretary-General of the Arab League proposing meetings to work out "limits and controls" on the terrorist movement.

In a 40-minute speech broadcast over Omdurman radio, Numeiri rejected a plea by Arafat on behalf of the eight Black September gunmen adding: "Al Fatah would have done better to have condemned the attack on the Saudi Embassy on Sudanese soil and to have demanded punishment for the attackers."

President Numeiri said the "what happened could only be described as a criminal and reckless act which had nothing to do with revolution or courage."



JAAFAR EL-NUMEIRI

Nixon plea on terrorist 'blackmail'

WASHINGTON (UPI). — President Nixon appealed to foreign nations yesterday to join the U.S. in a policy of rejecting blackmail and extortion when dealing with international terrorist activities.

Commemorating the two U.S. diplomats assassinated by Black September terrorists in the Sudan, Mr. Nixon said that U.S. policy was clearly "not to submit to international blackmail or extortion anywhere in the world."

"Today, we not only express the policy of the U.S., but we respectfully suggest to other governments — rather than standing aside — that they join with us against blackmail and extortion."

"Nations which compromise with terrorism today could be destroyed by terrorism tomorrow," Mr. Nixon warned.

The President made the appeal at a ceremony installing a green marble memorial plaque in the State Department lobby bearing the names of the two diplomats, U.S. Ambassador Cleo Noel and Charge d'Affaires Curtis Moore, inscribed in gold.

COULDN'T APPEASE
The President said any effort at appeasement in the Sudan affair would have "endangered the lives of hundreds of others."

Among those present were Dr. Henry Kissinger, Nixon's national security affairs adviser, William Macomber Jr., who flew to Sudan in an effort to negotiate the release of Noel and Moore, and Arman Meyer, State Department coordinator for combating terrorism.

The bodies of the two murdered diplomats were received home amid full military honours on Monday by their families and Secretary of State and Mrs. William Rogers.

A 19-gun salute rang out and the national anthem was played after the presidential jet landed at Andrews air force base in Maryland.

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and telephone number of a contact in Vienna who had helped the terrorists of the first group flee to Italy. She says she obtained them from Boudia. Also found in her apartment were formulas for producing explosives."

The federal attorney commented that the Swiss disclosures were intended to upset the infrastructure of the Palestinian terrorists in Europe. "Certain bases are in Geneva," he said. "Unfortunately they are also in diplomatic circles."

Meanwhile in Bonn yesterday, the West German Foreign Ministry said top security men were studying plans left behind by Black September terrorists in Khartoum to attack an unspecified embassy in the West German capital.

But a Foreign Ministry spokesman declined to comment on West German newspaper reports that the plans involved the Jordanian Em-

bassy and that security in the building had been stepped up.

The spokesman said the plans were discovered in the Saudi Arabian Embassy in Khartoum after eight Black September terrorists kidnapped five diplomats there last week and killed three of them before surrendering to the Sudanese authorities.

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Mr. Meir calls on Arab States for 'real and lasting peace'

By SAM LIPSKI
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
JERUSALEM — Prime Minister Golda Meir Monday night called on Arab neighbours to make peace and lasting peace... so that their children and their children's children will live in peace and a better world.

She said that Israel marks its anniversary "when it had won wars, when it is strong and defeated, not out of fear

but out of a desire to see the world better, we again offer our hand in real peace, in real friendship despite everything that has happened."

Speaking to more than 3,000 guests at a United Jewish Appeal dinner at the New York Hilton, Mrs. Meir repeatedly emphasised her firm belief that some day peace would come and that the Arab states would realise that their attacks could destroy precious lives in Israel but never Israel itself and that in those attacks they were "destroying themselves."

Mrs. Meir's speech dwelt on the theme of *oni me'amin* (I believe)

and was mainly an historical review of her own involvement in the events which led to the creation of Israel and its subsequent development. She did not refer to the Libyan airliner incident or the murder of diplomats by Arab terrorists in Khartoum.

Warmly welcomed with standing ovations from the large crowd of UJA workers representing nearly every Jewish community in America, Mrs. Meir was hailed in a speech by UJA General Chairman Paul Zuckerman and in song by the Zimri chorale, a "woman of valor."

The UJA reported that it had already raised \$151m., a record for this stage of the appeal period.

Outside the hotel some 100 demonstrators chanted "Stop Israeli terror." The protest was staged by various left wing groups against the downing of the Libyan airliner.

After a breakfast meeting with the editors of "Time" magazine yesterday, Mrs. Meir flew to Boston where she was awarded an honorary doctorate at Brandeis University. She was scheduled to return to New York last night for a mass rally at the Felt Forum marking Israel's 25th anniversary. Mrs. Meir is due to return to Israel at the end of the week.

Zayyat starts India visit today

NEW DELHI (AP). — Egyptian Foreign Minister Mohammed el-Zayyat will pay a four-day official visit to Delhi beginning today for top-level talks on matters of mutual interest, the Indian government announced here yesterday.

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THE WEATHER

Forecast: Scattered showers with isolated thunderstorms and hail.

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Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min.-Max.	Today's forecast
Jerusalem 42	3-10	3-8
Golan 32	3-10	3-8
Nahariya 58	9-15	8-14
Safed 100	3-6	1-4
Haifa 52	9-15	7-12
Tiberias 38	10-16	7-12
Nazareth 57	9-15	8-14
Afula 87	8-12	4-10
Shomron 49	4-11	3-9
Tel Aviv 48	9-15	8-14
Lod 43	6-17	5-15
Jericho 50	8-21	7-19
Gaza 30	7-17	7-15
Serebetsa 35	7-17	7-15
Beit 36	7-21	7-19
Tiran 13	11-22	10-20

Social and Personal

Mr. Otto Probst, a member of the Presidium of the Austrian Parliament, heading a delegation of 25 Socialist M.P.s from Austria, toured the Knesset yesterday, called on Speaker Yisrael Aloni, and was entertained to lunch by Alignment whip Moshe Baran.

The Austrian visitors were the guests of Foreign Minister Abba Eban at his home yesterday.

The Danish Film Festival moved to Tel Aviv yesterday. The showing at the Tel Aviv Museum was opened by the Ambassador of Denmark, Mr. Sigvald Kristensen.

Dr. Israel Goldstein, former chairman of Keren Hayesod — United Israel Appeal, has been named a member of the Jewish National Fund Directorate.

The group of U.S. Hadassah regional presidents now visiting Israel, accompanied by Dr. Josef Klarnet, head of Youth Aliyah, and were entertained to lunch by Alignment whip Moshe Baran.

The Haifa Rotary Club will hold a business meeting at the Appinger Hotel, at 1 p.m. today.

Dr. Alexander Meijer will speak on "Speech Problems in Child Development" at the second annual meeting of Michal-Jerusalem tomorrow 8 p.m. at Beit Hillel, 4 Rehov Balfour, Jerusalem.

Mrs. J. Phillip of the Israel Volunteer Service will address the Jerusalem Rotary Club on "Immigrant Absorption" at a luncheon meeting today, 1 p.m. at the YMCA.

ARRIVALS

Dr. A. Bedvi, a senior official of WHO, from Geneva as guest of the Health Ministry, to study the health services in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.

Dinah Dyckman, honorary president and national fund-raising chairman of the Israeli Women's Organization of America, and Mrs. Dyckman.

Steven Schwartz, at the head of a 72-member U.S.A. young leadership mission from Vienna and the U.S., for a two-week visit.

DEPARTURES

Knesset Member Yitzhak Rafael (N.R.P.) to the U.S., for a four-week lecture tour (the Minister of Defense, the South African Consul-General, Ambassador Charles Fincham, and Mrs. Fincham, for New York, where Dr. Fincham will attend the meeting of the U.N. Seabeds Committee until April 6.

'Nixon will wish cooperation with Meir after elections'

LOD AIRPORT. — The world president of Bnai Brith, David Blumberg, said here yesterday that, judging from the unusual honour and friendship with which Premier Golda Meir was received in the White House, "we believe that Mr. Nixon will wish to continue to cooperate with her after the Israel elections as well."

Mr. Blumberg was speaking to Itim after arriving at the head of a 160-member Bnai Brith delegation, here to attend a special Israel 25th anniversary meeting of the organization. (Itim)

\$30,000 for each victim of Libyan plane disaster

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Israel will offer the dependants of each Libyan plane crash victim \$30,000, and each injured person from \$10,000 to \$30,000, as ex-gratia payments decided on by the Government out of humanitarian considerations. The ministerial committee under Justice Minister Ya'acov Shlimahon Shapiro assigned to decide criteria of payment met yesterday in Jerusalem and unanimously approved these figures, which were recommended by the Justice Minister himself.

Mr. Shapiro will now begin contacts with the International Red Cross, and possibly with other international agencies, with a view to arranging for transfer of the money. (Most of the intended recipients are citizens of Egypt or Libya, and the services of an international agency are therefore required to transmit claims and clarifications, and ultimately to effect payment.)

A well-placed source told The Post last night that Mr. Shapiro intends to place the offer as an interpretation as possible on the concept of "dependant." Mr. Shapiro is also contemplating himself initiating contacts with dependants who, for various reasons, do not claim the sums due them; but no decision has yet been taken on this point. Mr. Shapiro indicated in an interview last night that a period of months could be allowed for contacts to be established with all the dependants.

The \$30,000 figure is \$10,000 higher than the sum laid down by the Warsaw Convention dealing with compensation to dependants of plane crash victims. When an El Al plane was shot down in Bulgaria in 1955, the Bulgarian Government paid out \$8,500 each to the victims' families. But after the Munich massacre of 11 Israeli Olympic athletes last September, the German Government

made an ex-gratia award amounting to nearly \$100,000 per family. The sums to be paid to the seven injured survivors of the Libyan plane will be calculated with regard to the extent of their suffering and disabilities.

Families of Munich dead 'kept in dark'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Families of the Israeli sportsmen murdered at the Olympic Games in Munich last September have not been informed who gave donations for them and to whom, a spokesman for the families said yesterday. The spokesman, who asked to remain anonymous, intimated that money had been contributed but that no one had so far bothered to inform the families of the amounts involved or through whom they were channelled.

The widows and parents of the slain sportsmen have received compensation from the West German government via the Magen David Adom. The moneys due to children who lost their fathers will not be distributed until a second group of moneys (in of the view that the mother) is officially named for each of them.

Some of the families were under the impression that the Olympic sportsmen were covered by life insurance taken out by the Israeli Olympic Committee, prior to their departure for Munich. However, Josef Inbar, chairman of the I.O.C., told The Jerusalem Post yesterday that the sportsmen were only insured against travel accidents.

Politics could delay Histadrut elections

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Political pressures and technical hitches are likely to postpone Histadrut elections until the spring of 1974. The Histadrut Central Committee is meeting in an extraordinary session today; it is expected to find that holding elections on the scheduled date, September 11, is impracticable.

Accordingly, the Committee is expected to call off tomorrow's special meeting of the Histadrut Council. This session was to have adopted a number of amendments to the labour federation's constitution, giving more weight to manual labourers in the central Histadrut bodies, as compared to white-collar employees.

The Histadrut polls generally precede the Knesset elections — this year they should have taken place about six weeks before the national elections — and generally indicate political trends.

The Histadrut Fees Department, which compiles the electoral list, would be hard put to cope with the September 11 deadline. But it is believed that political considerations of the Labour Party are the decisive factor for the postponement of the elections. The Labour Party leadership is understood to view with misgivings the independent course of Histadrut Secretary-General Yitzhak Ben-Aharon, whose popularity with the Histadrut electorate is in the balance. A rise, however slight, for the Labour-Mapam Alignment in the Histadrut would inevitably give Mr.

Ben-Aharon a big boost within his own party. Indirectly, the pressure to delay the Histadrut elections until next spring is an admission that Mr. Ben-Aharon's popularity with the activist Mapam-sponsored workers' committees worries the Labour Party leadership more than it wishes to admit. Despite all this, Deputy Histadrut Secretary-General Yehoshua Meisel is still of the view that the Histadrut elections should be held on time.

Manufacturers join 3-sided committee against inflation

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Manufacturers Association's Executive Council last night approved, in a stormy session, a preliminary decision to join the tripartite committee on curbing inflation.

Mark Mosevici, the Association president, reported to the Council that Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir, who has taken over as chairman of the committee, assured the manufacturers all decisions would be made by the committee unanimously. (The Council stipulated that all decisions made by the committee — in which the Government, the Histadrut and the manufacturers are represented — be brought to it for approval before they are finalized. A similar stipulation was made by Histadrut Secretary-General Yitzhak Ben-Aharon last month when he said all the committee's recommendations would have to be brought before the Histadrut Central Committee before being accepted.)

A number of the participants in last night's Council session ob-



Two persons were killed in the car above, when it collided with a bus at the intersection of Kibbutz Gahayot and Heyl Hashiron streets in Tel Aviv Sunday night. They were Shabbar Tal, 23, and his wife Pinna, 24, from Ramat Gan. The bus driver and two of his passengers were slightly injured. (Ud Keren)

Soldier fined for killing two in stolen car

TEL AVIV. — A Rishon LeZion man was fined IL3,000 and had his driver's licence revoked for 10 years by the District Court here yesterday, for causing the death of two girl soldiers who hitched a ride with him in a car he stole while serving in the army.

The man, Shmuel Brasler, 22, stole a car in Tel Aviv and drove it for several days in July 1971. While driving back from his base in the Golan Heights, he collided with a bridge railing and overturned. He and three soldiers who hitched a ride with him were seriously injured, and two of the soldiers — Elda Solomon and Shulamit Halfon — died later of their injuries.

Because of recommendations of the probation officer under whom Brasler was placed, the charges were changed from "manslaughter by criminal negligence" to "causing death through carelessness," and the three-judge panel handed down only a suspended jail sentence of 18 months. (Itim)

Beduin girl, 2, killed by car

BEERSHEBA. — A two-year-old Beduin girl, Naama Abu Amar, was killed Monday night when she was accidentally run over by a car driven by her uncle, Sheikh Abd el Kadar Abu Amar. The accident occurred near the Abu Amar tribe encampment east of here. (Itim)

'Boy, 2, wasn't attacked by bird of prey'

ASHKELON. — A noted Israeli zoologist yesterday examined a severely injured 2½-year-old boy and ruled he had not been attacked by a bird of prey.

Prof. Heinrich Mendelson, chairman of the Zoology Department at Tel Aviv University, saw Meir Kuzashvili at Ashkelon Hospital, where the child was brought after he was found lying unconscious in the sand dunes south of Ashdod Monday.

Police are now working on the possibility that Meir was attacked by a mentally disturbed person, after he disappeared from his home Monday morning. The boy was being treated for injuries to his eyes, ears, abdomen, groin and thighs. While his condition was reported improved yesterday, he could still not open his eyes, and was receiving transfusions. (Itim)

Man, 27, gets 8 years on morals charge

TEL AVIV. — A 27-year-old Haredi man was sentenced yesterday to eight years' imprisonment for enticing other men and young boys to his home to have sexual relations.

The three-man District Court bench pointed out that the man, Avner Kuzahi, had previously been convicted on similar charges and got off with light sentences. The judges noted that Kuzahi admitted he needed psychiatric treatment and ordered the prison authorities to see to it that he got it.

The court held there was no alternative to a prison sentence, since the man at present was a danger to the public. (Itim)

Sapir: Added Value Tax to be levied next year

By DAVID KRIVINE

Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

Finance Minister Sapir has suggested to the banks that they make a special contribution to the exchequer — equal to the amount of added value tax they would be paying if the new levy had been applied this year.

(Added value, in the case of banks and insurance companies, comprises wages plus profits, and this totals in the current year IL700m-IL800m. The Asher Committee recommended an AVT of 3.5 per cent for these sectors; but under consideration is a smaller 2 to 3 per cent. This would bring in IL15m. to IL20m., official say.) "It will be applied in April of next year anyway; the delay is only for technical reasons," he told a luncheon meeting of newsmen at the Press Club in Jerusalem yesterday. The big three banks (Leumi, Hapo'alim and Discount) have a combined balance sheet of IL35,000m. They made good profits, "and have nothing to complain about."

Questioned about the reluctance of employers to join the tripartite talks on policies against inflation, Mr. Sapir stated firmly that the industrialists have not done badly

in 1972 either. They want discussions about wage and price policies about 1973. But if they are not ready to cooperate in hammering out a solution to the present crisis, their views may not be sought for 1974/75 either, Mr. Sapir warned.

He hinted that, if there is no agreement, the Government will go it alone. "There was unanimous support in the Cabinet for the measures we submitted at the last talks; nor were they rejected out of hand by the employers or the Histadrut." (They comprised suggestions for budget cuts, a dividend freeze, slapping off purchasing power, raising the price of subsidized goods, and taxing new luxury flats.) The programme was drafted by Ministers Sapir, Almog, Bar-Lev, Gvati, Hazani and Shemtov, he added.

Another subject to which the manufacturers object is Mr. Bar-Lev's latest idea of setting a ceiling on prices. Mr. Sapir's answer: "Let them make alternative proposals inside the tripartite committee. Join the negotiations unconditionally," he advised.

The "tripartite committee" (of Government, manufacturers, and labour) is in fact becoming a five-sided parley. Latest recruits to the consultations are the banks and the building industry.

"There are at present between 75,000 and 80,000 apartments under construction, two-thirds of them by private builders, involving an outlay (on private construction) of IL6,000m.," he said. If 90,000 immigrants come in the next 18 months, that means 30,000 families to be housed; so there is plenty left over.

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Eban to raise issue of restitution for Austrian Jews

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Foreign Minister Abba Eban is expected to raise the question of restitution payments to former Austrian Jews during his forthcoming visit to Vienna later this month. He will be acting at the request of the World Association of former Austrian Jews, which supplied him with a special memorandum to that effect. Association chairman Shmuel Schoenblum told the press here yesterday.

The World Association demands the establishment of a joint com-

mittee, representing both the man and Austrian government together with representatives of former Austrian Jews, that will at long last devise a system of restitution payments for them, said.

The renewal of the World Association's plea for the protection of the rights of former Austrian Jews coincides with the 35th anniversary of the "Anschluss," Austria's joining the Nazi Reich — which will be next week, March 12.

Dr. Schoenblum said that of 200,000 Jews who lived in Austria in 1938 about 50,000 are still alive, of whom live in Israel. A majority of former Austrian Jews here are elderly people, most over 60, who have little or nothing in the way of property and do not even afford the IL13,500-trance fee payment to an old home, he said.

He accused Dr. Nahum Golda, president of the World Jewish Congress, of having neglected the case of the Austrian Jews, who the worst off of all the Jews who lived under Nazi occupation.

Prime Minister Golda Meir raised the question during her visit to Vienna last July.

Probe into 'non-visit' of Mauritius official

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

The Foreign Ministry has asked Israel's ambassador accredited to Mauritius to find out why the Mauritius Minister of Commerce, J.M.G.Y. Marchand, did not turn up at Lod on Monday for an official visit, as planned. Commerce Minister Haim Bar-Lev waited at the airport, but the visitor never showed up.

Israel has no resident ambassador in Mauritius. Its resident ambassador in Madagascar, Haim Rafael, is accredited to Mauritius too. The clarifications are therefore expected to take a day or two. Last night, neither the Foreign Ministry nor the Commerce and Industry Ministry had received any word from Mauritius explaining the Minister's non-appearance.

Officials in Jerusalem said they were not perturbed by Mr. Marchand's unexplained absence and did not fear that it might signal displeasure in Mauritius with Israel. One official pointed out that if the Mauritius Government had deliberately wanted to offend Israel by cancelling the visit at the last moment, it would have published its action.

Officials here therefore believe that the explanation lies in some technical or organizational hitch, and they hope Mr. Marchand will still come.

Eban: No sovereignty but Israel's in Jlem

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Foreign Minister Abba Eban asserted firmly yesterday that the matter of sovereignty over the West Bank and Gaza is not Israel's in Jerusalem. Eban was replying to questions at a reception he held in Jerusalem for the Hebrew Union College Board of Governors.

He had been asked about the report of U.S. columnist Evans as Novaks that King Hussein was willing to countenance Israeli military positions on the Jordan for 50 years, but demanded that part of Israel's return to Jordanian sovereignty.

Mr. Eban said that if the King had any idea which took account of Israel's security needs, as if he was prepared for a territorial compromise, he would doubtless find a way to transmit his views to Jerusalem.

Sex education, Arabic courses for grade schools

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER

MIGDAL HAEMEK. — Sex education, spoken Arabic and a course on Israel-Arab relations will be introduced in the public primary schools next school year, Education Minister Yigal Alon announced here yesterday.

He said a team of experts had prepared a course on "married life," which will include sex instruction, in two versions — one for the secular schools and the other for religious schools. The course will include zoology, biology and physics, and is aimed at educating children in personal hygiene, pre-marital sexual and emotional problems. Mr. Alon was sure the course would make it possible to teach sex "in a rational and respectable fashion." The course will be started in the first forms of elementary school and is gradually to be extended through the top forms of high school.

Mr. Alon who toured this development yesterday, met with teachers and pupils and discussed educational problems with them. The Local Council chairman, Zvi Aldorotti, told him that while the town is situated in a largely Arab area, the children are unable to speak with their Arab neighbours. Mr. Alon already prepared a spoken Arabic course to be started on a trial basis in seven dozen fifth and sixth grade classes. The aim is to teach the children enough words to enable them to communicate with Arab children and possibly attract them to continuing study of Arabic.

He said his ministry had already prepared a special course, to be taught in all schools, on Israel-Arab relations. It will include three subjects: the source of the conflict, the necessity for self defence against aggression, and Israel's efforts for peace.

Rain falls all over the country

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Rain fell throughout the country yesterday, with the exception of Beit and most areas south of Eilat. It was especially heavy in the North.

Today's forecast calls for more intermittent rain, with occasional thunderstorms and hail.

In the North, heavy rain poured down intermittently, often whipped by gusts of westerly wind and accompanied by loud thunderstorms. Work in Haifa Port was interrupted now and then, and traffic in Haifa slowed down with congestion at focal points.

Farmers are pleased, though the rain has stopped work in the fields. Earth roads have gone muddy and become impassable to all but vehicles with front-wheel drive. In some towns in the Zebulun Plain, hail fell for several minutes.

During Sunday night and Monday, 30 mm. of rain was measured in western Galilee, bringing the season's total to 350 mm. — still far below the annual average. In the Haifa area the total has now reached 300 mm.

In the Golan Heights, where the average annual rainfall is 822mm., 33 mm. fell yesterday, bringing this season's total to 298 so far. Rain in the Golan, and particularly snow on Mt. Hermon, are crucial factors in determining the Kinneret's water level, as they feed the Jordan River which empties into it.

Other rainfall figures: Safad — 28 mm.; Tiberias — 12 mm.; Nazareth — 32 mm.; Tel Aviv — 8 mm.; Jerusalem — 1 mm.; Bir Gafaga — 5 mm.

In Jerusalem hail came down last night, whipped by strong winds. In the late afternoon, for a brief period, snow fell on the Golan, outside Jerusalem, and mixed with the rain to form a thick slush on the road — but it soon melted away.

Paul Kletzki, conductor, dead at 72

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The audience at the first concert in the latest subscription series of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra stood in silence at the funeral of the late conductor Paul Kletzki, I.P.O. conductor Zub Mehta announced he was devoted to the main work of the evening Bruckner's Fourth ("Romantic") to his late colleague.

Paul Kletzki, former musical director and conductor of the Daili Symphony Orchestra, collapsed at died Monday night while rehearsing the Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra. He was 72.

Kletzki was born in Lodz, Poland, and studied in Warsaw and Berlin. He conducted in Europe, Australia and the U.S. from 1954 to 1961. From 1967 to 1969 he directed the Suisse Romande Orchestra of Geneva. He was a frequent guest of I.P.O.

His many compositions include three symphonies and chamber music.

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In the legal session held before me, Mohammed As'ad El-Imam El-Rusli, Ramallah Legal Judge, there appeared the legally competent person, Ghaleb Ali A. Hassan of Ramallah; and after he was identified by Hassan Nimer Abu Ghosh of Inwa, formerly of Birah, and Abdel-Razek Abdel-Khalek Abdel-Razek of Jaba, the said Ghaleb stated: "My wife by legal contract, Gilma De Oca of Cuba, and New Jersey, is divorced from me." He repeated this three times, and requested that the registration of the divorce be notified to Gilma De Oca by an announcement in the local newspaper Al-Shab.

Therefore, as I have been satisfied of the existence of a legally contracted marriage between the said Ghaleb and Gilma, recorded in a Magdaba (certificate), signed by the Mukhtar of Ramallah and co-signers, and as I have been satisfied by the evidence of trustworthy witnesses (identifiers), and as the divorce statement has been signed by the husband, Ghaleb, in the correct legal manner in the presence of said identifiers, I have given the husband, Ghaleb, to understand that he has unconditionally divorced his wife, Gilma.

Translation of part of a legal announcement that appeared in Arabic in the newspaper, Al-Shab in February 1973.

MARIKA (Maria) MARKUS

Information is sought on the whereabouts of Marika (Maria) Markus (maiden name).

Born 1929 in Nagymoros, Hungary. Father was Jozsef Markus, an engineer and dealer in antiques, born 1896 in Budapest, Hungary. Grandfather (father of Jozsef Markus) was Emanuel Mandler, a civil engineer who in 1939 was engaged in the sale of antiques.

Jozsef Markus had two brothers: Gyula and Laszlo Markus.

Anyone with information on the whereabouts of Marika Markus is asked to write to No. 18526, P.O.B. 81, Jerusalem.

'Soviet ransom tax no bar to emigration'

By HENRY SHAPIRO
MOSCOW (UPI). — The head tax on emigrants with university education has not restricted the exodus of Soviet Jews to Israel, according to sources with access to government statistics.

The sources said on Monday since the tax was enacted on August 3, slightly more than 20,000 Jews have left the country, of whom about 1,800 were university-trained.

The tax was applied to about half of the diploma-holding emigrants, the sources said.

The law imposed fees of at least \$5,000 for would-be emigrants who have enjoyed free higher education. The legislation was officially explained as intended to reimburse the

state for the education of the applicant and to prevent a brain drain.

About 30,000 Jews emigrated to Israel in 1972, with a little more than half of them leaving after the enactment of the law.

The sources said 4,600 Jews including 290 with college education, left for Israel during the first two months of this year. They expect the flow to increase to about 3,000 this month, they added.

According to official sources, only about 10 per cent of the Jewish applicants have had a higher education and are subject to the tax.

No figures were available on the number of educated Jews, if any, who applied to emigrate but were turned down because of inability to pay the tax.

The law is replete with loopholes which enable the authorities to waive the tax at their discretion.

Several Soviet cabinet ministers said last autumn that the law would be applied in a "differentiated way."

Recently, Boris Shumilin, Deputy Minister of the Interior, said persons getting a pension and invalids are fully exempt from paying the education levy. So are those who can prove they have no means to reimburse the state for their higher education, he said.

Other applicants are subject to progressively reduced payments depending upon the number of years they have worked after graduation, Shumilin said.

Soviet dancer offered job with U.S. ballet
SAN FRANCISCO (UPI). — Valery Panov, 33, a Russian dancer fired from the Kirov ballet when he sought permission to emigrate to Israel, has been invited to join the San Francisco ballet.

Lew Christiansen, artistic director for the San Francisco ballet, said on Monday the invitation also was extended to Mr. Panov's wife. It was contained in a letter sent last week to Mr. Panov's home in Leningrad.

Mr. Panov was fired from the Kirov ballet in March last year. He was warned by the Soviet government he would be charged with slander if he persisted in giving interviews with the Western press about his dismissal.

Last week his application for a visa was again turned down. Friends said Mr. Panov has been living on charity since he lost his job.

FOREIGN. — One out of every five people working in Vienna is of foreign origin, city officials said.

50 Egypt newsmen sacked

CAIRO (UPI). — About 50 local newsmen have been barred from journalistic work and transferred to other jobs in the second phase of a political purge which began last month, Arab Socialist Union sources said yesterday.

The A.S.U. is Egypt's only legal political party.

The sources said a substantial number of the newsmen involved were known for their leftist leanings. The newsmen have been transferred to the government's state information service, a move which the sources said was tantamount to shelving them.

The purge began in early February following student riots and clashes with police. President Sadat publicly blamed the turmoil on "the adventurist left and the reactionary right." But he laid greater emphasis on the leftists.

In the past four weeks, the A.S.U. disciplinary committee has ordered the expulsion of a total of 119 members. Of these 33 were journalists and writers who have since stopped working although they still draw their salaries pending settlement of their financial status.

The second phase of the clean-up, is considered less drastic than the outright ostracism marking the first phase, the sources said.

Those who have been shunted on to the state information service include such well-known writers as Ahmed Baha e-Din of "Al-Ahram," Kamel Zuhairy of "Al-Gomhuria," and Ahmed Hamrushi of the weekly "Rose el-Youssef."



Supporters of the Committee for the Release of Jewish Prisoners demonstrate at a Soviet stand in press review of the "Daily Mail" Ideal Home Exhibition at Olympia in London on Monday. (AP radiophoto)

Chile vote recount after fraud charge

SANTIAGO (UPI). — The Chilean Government yesterday began a recount of votes in Sunday's congressional elections, which opposition leaders described as "a fraud."

Senator-elect Sergio Jarpa, president of the rightist National Party, said "the result of the election has been falsified in several provinces. We are in the midst of a scandalous fraud organized by the Interior Ministry to hide the defeat of the government and the categorical triumph of the opposition."

Election inspectors and leaders of all political parties joined in the recount, election officials said, as required by Federal law. The count was expected to last several days.

The final figures issued by the Interior Ministry gave the government 43.9 per cent of the vote in the elections for all 150 deputies and 25 of the 50 senators. The opposition got 54.70 per cent. Splitter group votes accounted for the rest.

President Allende told a news conference the tally "had been absolutely honest." If there were errors, he said "they will be corrected in the recount."

Under the election results, the nation's anti-Marxist opposition lost seats to the government in both the Senate and the Chamber of Deputies, but retained its majority in both houses.

The opposition was hoping for a two-thirds majority — the margin needed to impeach — to use as a lever to force Mr. Allende to more moderate economic policies.

Armoured car thief extradited to Germany
DUESSELDORF, Germany (AP). — Dutch authorities yesterday extradited Guenter Heilmann, 27, the German armoured car driver who made off with \$1.35m. worth of marks.

Police said his 37-year-old accomplice remained in the Netherlands because Dutch police said he tried to run down one of their men when the pair was found near Den Helder on Thursday.

Heilmann provided police with a map that they used on Monday to locate most of the stolen money. It was hidden in a rotting stump near the German city of Moencheng, close to the Dutch border.

He drove away with the money on February 26 while four other armoured car men ate breakfast in the basement of the Duesseldorf state bank.

Police later found a note saying he took the money because the armoured car company had given him a dismissal notice.

Baseball pitchers swap wives—and dogs, too
FORT LAUDERDALE, Florida (UPI). — Two baseball stars who room together during the season have swapped families at home.

The athletes, Fritz Peterson and Mike Kekich, both pitchers for the New York Yankees, said they exchanged their wives, children — and even their dogs.

Kekich commented, "We didn't swap wives. We swapped lives." But the arrangement has not worked out well for Kekich and Peterson's wife, Marilyn. They lived together for two months and then again briefly during the winter but have now separated.

Athens law school closed for seven days
ATHENS (AP). — Athens university law school authorities yesterday closed down the school for seven days and forbade a general student meeting.

Strong security measures were also taken outside the school. Police and uniformed military police patrolled the area.

An announcement issued late on Monday forbidding the meeting scheduled for today came only a few hours after the law school rector had orally granted permission.

55 killed, 200 missing in Bangladesh election drive

DACCA (AP). — At least 55 political workers have been killed and some 200 injured in a month-long election campaign. None of the dead was a candidate. The elections begin today.

In the worst incident a handgrenade exploded at a ruling Awami League public meeting, killing seven persons and injuring 23.

The Awami League central office sources said at least 30 prominent Awami workers were shot dead and 75 injured in February.

The major opposition — the National Socialist Party — claimed 200 of its workers were missing, presumed dead.

The pro-Moscow National Awami Party listed five deaths and 80 injured. It also claimed 25 of their offices were burnt and 25 ransacked.

Cuban gov't to appoint rabbi
NEW YORK (INA). — The Cuban government has accepted the idea of appointing a rabbi to serve the 2,500 Jews remaining in Cuba, according to Rabbi Abraham Hershberg, president of the union of rabbis of Latin America, who recently returned from Cuba.

Two new cardinals fill vacant posts
VATICAN CITY (UPI). — Pope Paul VI yesterday named two new cardinals created by him on Monday to head two Vatican departments left leaderless by recent resignations.

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Tanzania holds 48 Ugandans for spying

DAR ES SALAAM (UPI). — Tanzania has arrested 48 Ugandans, including eight women, on suspicion of spying in a move which yesterday seemed sure to exacerbate her already strained relations with Uganda.

The 48 were taken into custody over the weekend. The minister of state in the president's office, Mr. Peter Sigoyiwa, said they were "suspected of being on a spying mission from Uganda."

The group came to Dar Es Salaam between last August and January, and stayed in big hotels in the capital, an official statement said. Their expenses were paid in full, although they had no particular jobs.

Informal sources said that in view of the political implications of the move, it could be assumed that the decision to make the arrests was taken at a high government level.

Relations between the two neighboring East African countries have never been good since General Idi Amin seized power in Uganda two years ago in a coup which ousted Dr. Milton Obote, who took refuge in Tanzania with a number of supporters.

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through the mediation of Somalia but accusations and counter-accusations have continued, one of latest by Tanzania concerning fate of seven young men who reported to have gone to Kamp for job interviews just after Christmas.

Tanzania claims the seven were arrested in their hotels in Kamp and has demanded news of the but General Amin's government denied having any knowledge of matter.

Foreign Ministry sources, however, that it would be "sense" to suggest there was connection between this matter and the arrests here.

Cyprus sends tear to probe Beirut cruise ship blast
NICOSSIA (UPI). — Cyprus has sent a senior police officer and marine engineer to Beirut to assist in investigations into the explosion in the engine-room of a cruise ship on Sunday.

The Cyprus-registered vessel, So nion, sank in Beirut harbour after the explosion.

The ship's passengers, mainly American Baptist pilgrims, were flown to Cyprus to continue their tour and are now in Israel.



Anthony Barber, Chancellor of the Exchequer, flourishes batons looking Budget Box before leaving No. 11 Downing Street for yesterday's traditional walk to the House of Commons to make his budget speech. (AP radiophoto)

Ready to float £

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against both the German mark and Swiss franc. In Zurich it traded at \$3.135/3.195.

In Brussels it eased to \$3.875. Officially the money markets are closed while finance ministers try to sort out the tangled currency troubles. But all this means is that trading goes on as usual and with the central banks out of the market currencies continue to float.

In Tokyo, the finance ministry yesterday ordered Japan's foreign exchange markets to remain closed for the rest of the week, following the lead of European governments.

In Paris, Finance Minister Giscard d'Estaing yesterday formally summoned the group of 10 nations to meet in Paris on Friday to discuss the world monetary situation.

The move was decided at a meeting of European Common Market finance ministers in Brussels last weekend.

An announcement from d'Estaing's office said the talks would be preceded by a meeting of Common Market nations which are not members of the group.

Meanwhile Mr. Barber announced a "broadly neutral" budget retailing public spending and the nation current 5 per cent economic growth rate at about their present levels.

He said the Common Market controversial Value Added Tax which will replace purchase tax most goods and services, will be applied at a standard 10 per cent.

Mr. Barber said all food for human consumption would be exempt from the new tax.

Also exempt, he said in a concession to opposition Labour demands, would be children's clothing and shoes.

In another bonus for children, Barber said candy, ice cream and soda pop would not be taxed.

He said state pensions for elderly would be increased by £1 a week to £12.50 for married couples.

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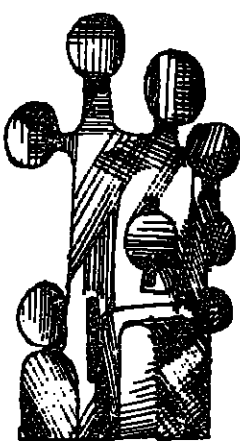
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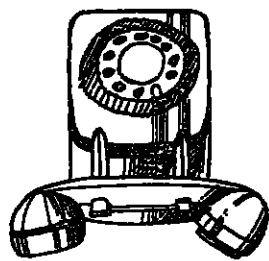
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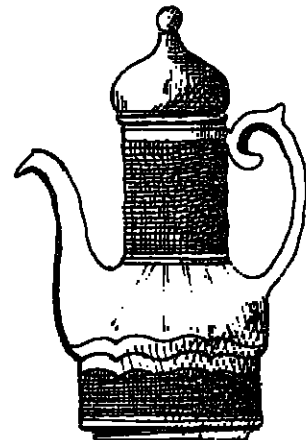
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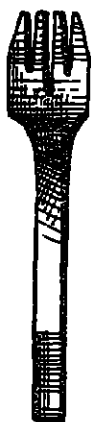
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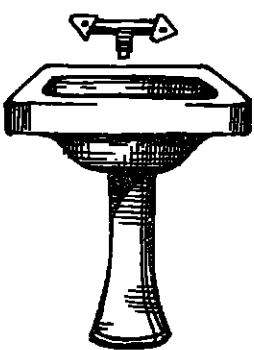
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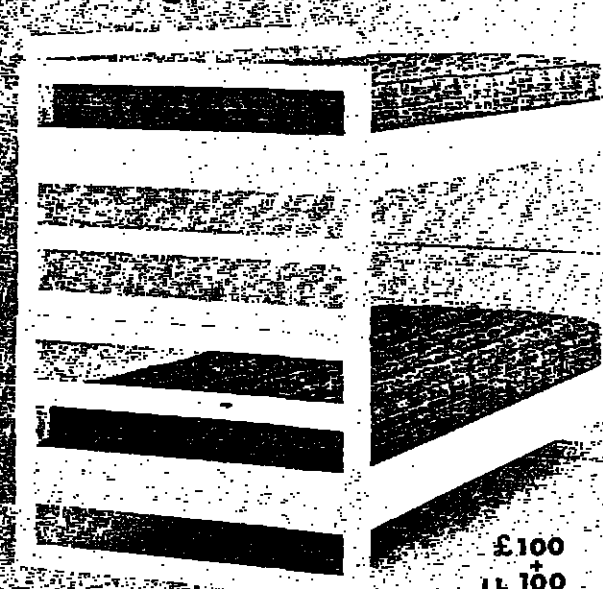


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Moscow blasts Heykal for anti-Soviet bias

MOSCOW (Reuters). — Moscow Radio has attacked recent articles on China in the Cairo newspaper "Al-Ahram" by its editor Mohammed Hassanin Heykal, saying they contain unfair slanders on Russia. The radio, in its Arabic service on Monday, broadcast an anonymous commentary entitled "Heykal's Chinese tone," which said his articles arouse "a mixed feeling of disappointment, astonishment and annoyance... because they contain unfair slanders of the Soviet Union by the author himself or as a mouthpiece for others."

The radio said: "Naturally, Heykal is not so naive as to report anti-Soviet fabrication in an abstract manner and without any aim. The readers of 'Al-Ahram' are not simple either. They understand very well why Heykal indulged in particular in fabricated drive about Soviet military aid at a time when Egypt's War Minister General Ahmed Ismail was visiting the Soviet Union, and when a broad exchange of views was taking place in Moscow on the further development of cooperation between the armed forces of the two sides. It is quite obvious that Heykal's attitude contradicts the Egyptian leadership's measures to strengthen the country's defensive power..."

The commentary went on: "In an article published on February 21, Heykal repeated and backed (Chinese Prime Minister) Chou En-lai's allegations that the Soviet Union, by participating in the Afro-Asian solidarity movement, was seeking its leadership. Thus Heykal is trying to cast a shadow over the anti-imperialist Afro-Asian movement, one of whose founders was Gamel Abdel Nasser."

The commentary said it was not clear what prompted Heykal to make the "spreading of lies about Soviet policy the main topic in his articles on China."



Pearl Buck dies at 80

DANBY, Vermont (AP). — Pearl S. Buck, the daughter of missionaries who won the Nobel and Pulitzer prizes for her writings on China, died yesterday at her home here. She was 80.

Beverly Drake, Miss Buck's private secretary, said the author died "quietly" about 7:25 a.m. She underwent gall bladder surgery last autumn.

Born in West Virginia on June 26, 1892, Miss Buck was raised in China and learned to speak Chinese before she learned English. It was that upbringing, she said, that influenced both the subject of her writing and her style. She spent the first 17 years of her life in China, returned to the U.S. for a while and then worked as a Presbyterian missionary in China from 1914 until 1935. The Communist Chinese government refused her request to revisit the country in October.

She won the Pulitzer Prize in 1932 for "The Good Earth," a book detailing the rise to power of a Chinese peasant, which was cited for "its epic sweep, its distinct and moving characterization, its sustained story interest, its simple and yet richly colored style."

In 1938 she became the first American woman to win a Nobel prize for literature. The prize was granted for no particular work, but the citation read "for rich and genuine epic portrayals of Chinese peasant life, and for masterpieces of biography."

She spent most of her life trying to improve relations between the U.S. and China.

Lovet-Lorski, sculptor, dies

NEW YORK (AP). — Boris Lovet-Lorski, a Lithuanian-born, Russian-trained sculptor who sculpted busts of four U.S. presidents and other notables, has died at the age of 78. Lovet-Lorski who came to the U.S. in 1920, died on Sunday.

His bronze bust of the late President John Kennedy is at Brandeis University. He also did busts of Presidents Lincoln, Eisenhower and Franklin D. Roosevelt.

Panova, Soviet novelist, at 67

MOSCOW (Reuters). — Vera Panova, a Soviet novelist and playwright who won three Stalin Prizes for her work, has died in Leningrad, aged 67, Tass reported yesterday.

Her short novel, "Travelling Companions," published in 1946 was considered both here and abroad as one of the more successful Soviet works about World War II.

Strangles wife for bigamy —after 35 years' marriage

LIVERPOOL, England (UPI). — Harry and Betty Powell had 35 happy years as man and wife — until he discovered she was someone else's wife.

He was so shocked he strangled her with two neckties, a court was told on Monday.

The truth emerged when the 64-year-old Powell wanted his wife's birth certificate so he could apply for a retirement pension.

She confessed that she had already been married to another man for 20 years who was still alive when she went through the marriage ceremony with Powell, defence counsel Rose Heilbron said.

She also admitted lying on their wedding day by giving her age as 28 when she was 41.

"The facts are so bizarre as to be almost unbelievable," Miss Heilbron said. When Powell learned he was not married at all and his wife was a bigamist "his world collapsed in a matter of minutes."

Powell pleaded guilty to manslaughter. He got a two year suspended sentence.

"No useful purpose would be served by sending you to prison," the judge said.

28% of Iran budget for defence

TEHERAN (Reuters). — Iran has announced a record budget of over 893,000m. rials (about IL40,000m.) for the coming year with 28 per cent going on defence — the highest allocation in the country's history.

Defence is to get nearly 134,000m. rials (about IL7,400m.).

Premier Amir Abbas Hoveida, presenting the budget to the Majlis (lower house of parliament) has announced Iran would continue to build up its defences to meet threats, hostilities, intrigues and aggression and to maintain regional peace and security.

"We will turn Iran into one of the strongest powers and will upgrade our defensive forces with latest military technology, and will defend our sovereignty with all possible means," he said.

On Iran's bad relations with Iraq, Mr. Hoveida warned that "we will teach them a lesson" in the event of any aggression.

Mr. Hoveida last November obtained parliamentary approval to borrow and spend abroad about \$216m. for arms purchases, mainly air force and naval weaponry.

ODDS. — Mrs. Jean Scott of Bradford, England, gave birth to a boy on Sunday, her third child to be born on March 4. Doctors said a computer showed the odds against it were 48 million to one.

Pro-Israelis stand good chance in French run-off

By JACK MAURICE

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — Several good friends of Israel seem well placed to win parliamentary seats in next Sunday's run-off bout in the French general election.

Among Israel's supporters, candidates from all parties, with the natural exception of the Communists, made a good showing in the first ballot.

Jean-Claude Marcus, a Gaullist Jewish candidate for the East End of Paris, looks like retaining his seat. So does General Paul Stehlin, a Reform Party M.P. who has always vigorously opposed the French arms embargo against Israel.

Socialist leader Francois Mitter-

rand and the Reform leaders Jean Jacques Servan-Schreiber and Jean Lecanuet, who all advocate a pro-Israel policy, are also well placed for the run-off. So are former Socialist Premier Guy Mollet and his Defence Minister, Maurice Bourges-Maunoury, now turned Gaullist who sent French forces to Suez in 1956.

Jacques Soustelle, former Gaullist minister and long-time friend of Israel, stands a good chance of regaining the seat he held in Lyons until he split with General de Gaulle over his North African policy. Also well placed is Leo Hamon, a Jewish professor who was Minister of Information under de Gaulle.

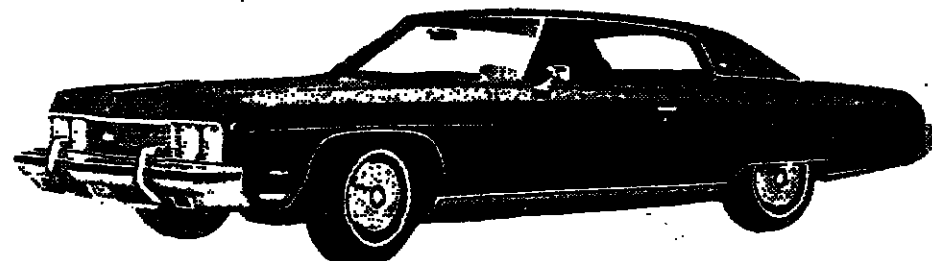
Defence Minister Michel Debre, a converted Jew, was re-elected out-

right in the first round in Reunion, the French island colony in the Indian Ocean. But Foreign Minister Maurice Schumann, who was also born Jewish, will have a stiff fight to win next Sunday.

The fate of Marcel Dassault, manufacturer of the Mirage warplane, and his top aide, General de Benouville, who were both Gaullist deputies in the last Parliament, is also uncertain.

Daniel Mayer, the president of the League of Human Rights who is standing as a Socialist, faces an uncertain contest on Sunday. So does Jean-Pierre Bloch, president of the League against Racism and Anti-Semitism, another Socialist candidate.

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Monika Schwinn of West Germany on arrival at Clark Air Base in the Philippines after being released by North Vietnamese. A member of a Catholic medical organization when captured in South Vietnam in 1969, she was the only woman prisoner in Communist hands when the Vietnam peace accord was signed. (AP radiophoto)

WOMAN CAPT. HEADS U.S. ARMY UNIT IN GERMANY

HEIDELBERG (AP). — The U.S. Army, in a move symptomatic of the times, put its first woman officer in command of an all-male unit, the army's European headquarters reported yesterday.

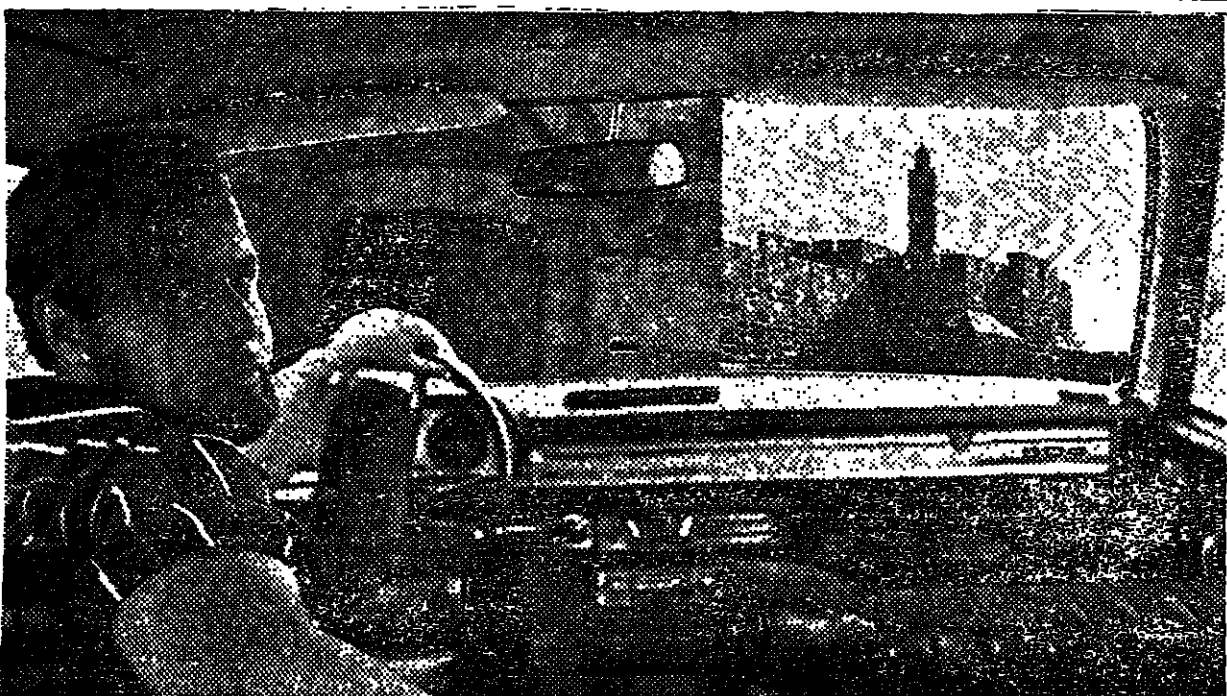
"I think my new assignment is the ultimate," said Capt. Reba Tyler, 32, after a weekend ceremony that put her in charge of one male officer and 33 enlisted men.

"It will be a very interesting experience for everybody concerned. I'm very happy about it," added the athletically inclined woman captain.

Secretary of the Army, Robert Froehke, during a recent visit here predicted the Women's Army Corps will be more than doubled by 1975.

Capt. Tyler said, "It is inevitable that more and more women will be given commands as the number of women in the army increases." She added, "It also takes men away from things they aren't really interested in."

The captain and her 34 men run the 48th Adjutant General Postal Detachment, in the Mannheim area.



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International graphics centre for Jerusalem

An International Graphic Art Centre will be established in Jerusalem for lithographs, etchings, and silk screens. The Israel Museum spokesman announced yesterday. The Centre will be established near the Museum and "will be at the disposal of internationally known artists, of Israeli artists, and of promising students of the Bezalel Art Academy," he said.

Mr. Neville Burston of London will contribute to the Israel Museum the sum required for the establishment of the Centre. It has requested that profits made by the Centre be put at the disposal of the Israel Museum Acquisitions Fund.

The spokesman said that "one of the world's most famous expert printers, who for years attracted top artists to work with the Tamarind Centre in the U.S., will apparently assume the position of Master Printer with the Jerusalem Centre."

Israeli art for Canada

HAIFA. — A group of 38 Canadian Jews this week met a group of 25 Israeli artists whose paintings are to be sent to Canada for an exhibition marking the 25th anniversary of the State at the National Arts Centre in Ottawa next month.

"The works of art sent to Canada from Israel so far have been largely overpriced and of second-rate quality," said Mr. Hy Hochberg, leader of the group, here under U.J.A. auspices.

From Ottawa the show will go to the Sadie Bronfman Centre in Montreal and then the Young Men's Hebrew Association Centre in Toronto. The 125 canvases of the 25 Israeli painters were assembled by Mrs. Rivka Davidas. She said the paintings were worth IL250,000 and had been insured against all risks, including war and sabotage.

The artists who are exhibiting include Nahum Gutman, Moshe Gat, Shraga Weil, Marcel Yankov.

CINEMA

Old-fashioned adventure



O'Toole as Murphy

MURPHY'S WAR (Chen, Tel Aviv), is a good, old-fashioned adventure story filmed against the exotic background of the Venezuelan jungle. Director of this Anglo-French production, with English dialogue, is Peter Yates ("Bullitt" and "John and Mary").

Peter O'Toole gives his usual fine performance as Murphy, an Irish flight mechanic on a British armed merchantman sunk by a marauding German U-boat in the last weeks of World War Two. After surviving the brutal machine-gunning of his comrades as they try to swim for safety, he carried on a one-man fight against the submarine by converting his ship's salvaged seaplane into a "bomber."

There is also good acting from Sian Phillips, as the dedicated woman doctor at a Quaker mission for Indians at the mouth of the River Orinoco, who restores Murphy to health, and Philippe Noiret, in the role of a French oil engineer at this isolated post. Horst Janson is most effective as the U-boat captain, whose ruthlessness is paid back in kind by the Irishman, still bent on revenge even after the surrender of the Third Reich.

Though the beautifully-photographed piece drags a little in the middle, it works up to a gripping — if far-fetched climax. At the end, the moral that there are no victors in war is well put over.

Crossruff or squeeze?

AT last month's Bridge Festival, in the Master Teams, Victor Ben-Nahum and Louis Levinson, with Mrs. Riki Markus of England, dramatically made a slam against the Scottish pair of Louis Shenkin and Louis Levinson.

Markus North
Q 10 5 4
A Q 10 6
K J 8 2
Shenkin West
Q 7 2
K 8 4 2
Q 10 9 7 5

Ben-Nahum South (D)
A K 9 6
Q A K J 8 7 5 3
6

The bidding: South North
20 30
34 30
57 64

The bidding was in the Riki style of "Bid Boldly." She could not be certain when she jumped to 64 that her side would not lose two tricks.

The 10 was led to the J and Ace and a ♠ returned to the 9 and K on which declarer stuffed a ♠. It was possible to make the slam by winning eight trumps on a crossruff, two hearts on a finesse, and one ♠ and one ♣. But there was too much uncertainty as to what the distribution would be, so Ben-Nahum decided on other tactics.

He won three ♠ tricks ending in his hand. He won the ♠ A and ruffed a ♠ in dummy. He then ruffed a low ♠ in his hand leaving this end position:

North
Q A 10
Q 10
K 8 3
South
Q 7 2
K 8 4 2
Q 10 9 7 5

South played the ♠ K. West

could safely discard one ♣ as did the dummy. The play of the ♠ J squeezed West who could not let the ♠ Q go because of the threat of the ♠ 8 in dummy. West had to release the ♠ 4 and declarer stuffed the ♠ 8. East had had to keep three diamonds to prevent South from running this suit. There were only two hearts left in both East and West hands, and as long as West had the ♠ K, the successful finesse gave declarer the final three tricks in hearts.

This was a beautiful double squeeze by Ben-Nahum.

BRIDGE CALENDAR

Coming Event
Today and tomorrow, beginning today at 4.30, Adler Cup Tournament for Teams of Four at the Diplomat Hotel, Jerusalem.

Results
Balfie: Hagafen Cup, four rounds, results: 1. Zivoni-Painaru, 2. Dr. Markovitz-Mrs. Gad, 3. Dr. Cyngier-Andrezejak, 4. Mrs. Axelrad-Dr. Kaniak.

Winter Cup, three rounds, results: 1. Balfie-Rosenstock, 2. Mrs. Lauer-Neufeld, 3. Libster Shaya-Andrezejak, 4. Dr. Vromen-Gallani.

Weekly Duplicate games, 8.00 p.m. Ashdod: Monday, Thursday; Museum: Monday, Thursday; Beit Ha'am: Monday, Thursday; Beit Haim: Monday, Thursday; Beit Carmel: Sunday; Beit Roth: Sunday.

Mt. Carmel: Wednesday; Beit Oraniz: Wednesday; Beit Abba: Thursday; Beit Haim: Thursday; Beit Carmel: Thursday; Beit Roth: Thursday.

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Pardes Hana — Sunday: Wizo Hall, Rehovot — Monday: Nasonia Hall, Sayona — Sunday: Avia Hotel.

Tel Aviv — Wednesday, Thursday: Dukes Club.

JEW IN LATIN AMERICA'S DEVELOPING SOCIETY

A SYMPOSIUM on Latin American Jewry in a Changing Era is one of the subjects of the study circle on the Diaspora held at the President's residence and now published in booklet form by the Hebrew University's Institute of Contemporary Jewry.

The discussion was opened by Dr. Haim Avni, who first asked whether it was legitimate to consider Latin American Jewry as a single unit in view of the various disparities between one community and another. On the one hand there are mighty communities such as Argentina, with an estimated 450,000 Jews (all Jewish statistics for Latin America are only estimates), and on the other, tiny groups such as the 280 Jews of the Dominican Republic or the 130 in Nicaragua. Some, such as Uruguay and Venezuela, are increasing in numbers (the latter by 240% over 20 years) and in others such as Bolivia and Ecuador there is a sharp drop. Moreover the great concentration of Jews, is in the south of the continent.

On the other hand, the communities have much in common — for one thing their recent origin (all virtually within the last century, except on the Caribbean islands). The great majority of Latin American Jews are therefore first or second generation. Throughout the

continent, Jews tend to be more numerous in those countries where the overall European population is numerous, and they also tend to have congregated in those countries which have developed economically.

Dr. Avni points out that, although the composition of Latin American Jewry resembles that of other Jewries, it is unique in that it is situated in one of the world's developing areas. Economically the majority of the Jews are employed or independently-employed; very few are in the labouring class. Commerce is the major occupation. As a whole the Jews can be categorized as middle-class or even entering the upper-class. One clue to prosperity — and to communal consciousness — is the rash of magnificent buildings erected for communal purposes over the past 20 years. The economic well-being of the South American Jew puts him on the side of the evolutionary growth and against revolution (although the younger generation's involvement with liberal causes often puts them among the more extreme elements).

Another common characteristic of the Jews of the continent is that they have developed an intensive Jewish communal life brought over from Europe. They had their own institutions, maintained Yiddish to a large degree, got involved in Jewish party

politics, had their own press, etc. The surrounding society was monolithic rather than pluralistic and there were no trends towards "South Americanization" of the Jewish persuasion. There was everywhere a completely positive approach to Jewish identity (although problems in this respect are arising with the growing generation). Jewish nationalism is strong among these Jews, who are themselves living in an intensely nationalist environment.

At the same symposium, Netanel Lorch asked the question, "What future is there for Latin American Jewry?" He reported that when he asks South American Jews whether they see a future there for themselves and their children, they answer, "Yes." But when he asks about further generations, they are doubtful. The Jews constitute an alien group in a deprived society where there is a revolution of rising expectations. The Jews, being largely in the upper middle class, fear future developments not for themselves as Jews but for themselves as members of that class. Their fears are directed to the future and very seldom immediate.

He suggested that their defence mechanisms are poised in the wrong direction. They are still directed towards the threats of yesterday — the traditional direction of anti-Semitism from the right, from Church circles, from the elements of the armies that are executing putches but not revolutions, from those groups influenced by European Fascism. In reality, the contemporary threat is from the more extreme left but this is not yet realized.

Leftist threat

This is partly the result of the paradox that, inasmuch as the Jews participate in public life, it is in the left. But it is precisely the left that — for economic reasons — constitutes the main threat to the Jewish future. Communal life is built upon the participation and contributions of wealthy Jews. Thus in Chile, the Jewish schools are in jeopardy — because although most of the community has remained in their place, the Andean regime, the rich ones have tended to leave — and they were the ones who supported these schools for the community as a whole.

Mr. Lorch raised the question of the growing split in the community between the average Jew whose self-interest leads him to support the centre and right and between those Jews who are eagerly supporting the left (some of Allende's leading followers are Jewish). The strong differences that emerge threaten Jewish solidarity. There is already evidence of left-wing youth cutting all ties with the Jewish community, and an all-round growth of tensions within the communities.

He also finds signs of assimilation, sometimes in an original manner. For example, in Chile many Jewish children do not attend Chilean schools but go to schools under American, French or British auspices. There is the phenomenon of assimilation to third culture (usually American). An exception is Argentina where there is considerable assimilation to "Argentinism."

There is great admiration for Israel among the ruling military groups for its military efficiency (and according to Mr. Lorch, who was originally a military man, the Israel Air Force is superior to all the Latin American air forces, including those of Brazil and Argentina put together). But their admiration for Israel is separate from their attitude to the local Jewish community. However, the establishment of Israel has given most Jews greater inner confidence in their status in Latin America.

He also mentions the growing crisis facing Jewish education. Latin American Jews established one of the best Jewish school networks in the world — but the number of children attending is dropping. Even in Mexico, the outstanding centre for Jewish education in the Diaspora, the proportion of Jewish children attending Jewish schools in recent years has dropped from 85 per cent to 60 per cent. He holds that Latin America requires assistance and direction from Jews elsewhere, especially the U.S. and Israel.



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American experts on the aged call for new approaches in care

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

There are just as many elderly people as there are young people, and it is up to society to provide them with the means to make the "golden years" really golden. This is the firm belief of two American experts on the problems of the aged (called Gerontology), who are in Israel to advise JDC-Malbin on the setting up of a Gerontological Institute in Jerusalem.

The experts are Professor Carl Eisendorfer, Chairman of the Department of Psychiatry of the University of Washington in Seattle, and Professor Bernice Neugarten, Chairman of the Department of Human Development of the University of Chicago. Both are past presidents of the Gerontological Society of the U.S.

The institute will begin functioning on a pilot basis with seven to 10 employees by the end of 1973. Dr. Yitzhak Margulies, Medical Director of JDC-Malbin, has been appointed project coordinator. The entire project is made possible by a donation of \$50m. from donors who wish to remain anonymous.

LONGER LIFE EXPECTANCY
The problem of caring for the aged, Dr. Neugarten notes, "is growing steadily with every passing year, especially in the highly industrialized societies. People talk about a life expectancy of 70 years, or a bit more, but they forget one basic fact. When a person reaches the age of retirement, generally 65, he has an average of 14 years ahead of him. The average figure for a man is 14 years, for a woman 19." Dr. Eisendorfer adds: "the percentage of elderly persons in our society is constantly rising. It is about 10 per cent in the U.S. and 7.2 per cent in Israel. But eventually, it will probably reach 18 per cent in both countries. That is to say, every seventh person will be elderly."



Dr. Bernice Neugarten



Dr. Carl Eisendorfer

As for education, they say a person is never too old to start learning. It is a myth, they maintain, that after a certain age, it is difficult for persons to learn. What is important, they stress, is motivation. "A highly motivated person can learn at any age."

SLOW IN ANSWERING
But why do the elderly — when they return to school — appear to be slow especially in answering questions in class?
"They are old and wise and like to think before they answer. The young are willing to take a risk, as long as they see a chance of succeeding," the professors answer. Another explanation, of course, is that the elderly are out of practice when it comes to book learning. The simple solution is to educate persons to learn all their lives. In a large measure, this is being done already for professionals, who get a sabbatical every seven years. Both gerontology experts want to see the educational process joined to

the work ethic, so that education becomes a part of the business of earning a living.

These problems, they note, are only some of the ones which the future Gerontological Institute will try to solve. Specifically, it will try to improve services for the old, study to what degree the elderly can be "revitalized and reintegrated" and assess what investments the authorities should make "in and for the aged." Another problem is that of educating the young to see the elderly as vital members of society.

workers turn out telephones on an assembly line. Soviet women comprise 51 per cent of the country's labour force, but have to be liberated from housekeeping and family-rearing. (UPI)

Russian women have few appliances

Soviet Medals for mothers of five

By PETER J. SHAW
Moscow (UPI)

A Soviet woman is on the road to glory. She really arrives when her fifth child is born. Trying to counteract a declining national birth rate — from 24.9 in 1960 to 17 per 1,000 in 1970, the Soviet Union encourages large families by rewards of money and medals.

Mothers of five or six children receive the Mother's Medal. Those with seven, eight or nine win the Order of Motherhood of Glory. The medal, awarded for 10 and up, is the title Mother-Heroine of the Soviet Union. Officials say more than three million Soviet mothers receive monthly allowances from the state for having five or more offspring. At least one picture of a smiling mother-heroine is likely to grace the national newspapers tomorrow when the Soviet Union celebrates International Women's Day.

The Communist counterpart of Valentine and Mother's Day bound up one, the holiday provides an annual platform for extolling the virtues of Soviet women since the 1917 Bolshevik Revolution.

The infant Soviet state assured women and men equal pay for equal work. Although officially equal in the work front, Soviet women

have yet to be liberated from housekeeping and family-rearing.

The major barrier is an improving but still insufficient number of household appliances, consumer services, modern retail outlets and child care facilities. An official survey said the average Moscow woman spends a minimum of 50 per cent of her off-job time shopping for groceries and cooking. Soviet men, the survey said, put in only 75 minutes daily on household-related matters, compared to four hours, 20 minutes for women.

HEAVY JOBS
Soviet women drive tractors, shovel snow, lift garbage cans, perform heart surgery and pilot commercial jetliners. They chop down trees, mine coal, unload ships, dig ditches and sweep the streets. They comprise 51 per cent of the Soviet labour force and outnumber men by 16 million in a population of 248 million.

Women make up 72 per cent of the nation's doctors, 71 per cent of its teachers, 58 per cent of the diploma-holding specialists, 39 per cent of the scientific workers, 35 per cent of the lawyers and 32 per cent of the judges.

The figures do not illuminate a key fact — few Soviet women reach the corridors of power.

WEE WOMEN



"Any chance for a little labor-management arbitration on my weekly household allowance?"

ISRAEL CHICKEN 'FLESHIER' NOW

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV — Modern poultry breeding methods have brought increased earnings to the poultry farmers and "flesher" chickens for the housewife, Yosef Raviv, co-director of the Poultry Breeders Union, told

a press conference here yesterday. "During the last year our average broiler chickens have had a weight increase of 50 to 60 grams per chicken, compared with chickens grown a year earlier, during the same period of time and consuming the same amount of feed," Mr. Raviv said. This 50 to 60 gram increase brought about 150m. extra earnings to the farmers.

Co-director Yerahmiel Yadin said that the union's layer chickens, yamto, had also increased their egg output during the last year, giving the poultry farmers increased earnings of about 150m. "Israel eggs are the cheapest in the world," Mr. Yadin said. "Even if the government does withdraw the subsidy on eggs, they will still be the cheapest in the world."

Mr. Yadin added that our broilers are also not so expensive: "Just yesterday morning I received phone calls from different parts of the world, one from Teheran and one from Rome, asking me if we could ship them poultry meat. The price that the wholesalers are paying for poultry meat in Rome is about 114 per kilo and 115.20 in Teheran."

INCREASED EARNINGS
Israel chickens are about 600 grams heavier than they were 10 years ago, a development which has brought increased earnings to the economy of about 11,400m.

The Poultry Breeders Union have exported over \$400 million and choice breeding stock chicks (2.5 million). Asked whether the breeders were planning to introduce a new type of broiler to the market, the union directors answered that the Israeli housewife is pleased with the present chicken. "We are increasing its weight all the time, giving the consumer more breast meat. The minute consumers demand a different type of chicken, we will develop it for them."



Miss Fuchs, star of the Yiddish and popular stage and cinema, visited this week with tots at the Beit Yehon Day Nursery in Tel Aviv, run by the Working Women's Council and Pioneer Women. The star has been in the nursery two years ago and promised she would return on her next visit to Israel. (Shimon Fuchs)

STRAWBERRY DESSERTS

By Mally Lyons Bar-David

Strawberries are out at bargain prices all along the main highways in the country as well as in the market. You can serve them either with sugar and cream, or top them with vanilla ice cream. Here are some more desserts, a pie and a cake.

Strawberry Cake

The ready-made sponge cake (100g. cheap) is a cup of strawberries, 1 cup sugar, whipped cream (1 or 2 cups of cream), sugar to taste, vanilla or brandy.

Split a sponge cake in three layers. Put the strawberries and cut in them. Sugar them and let them stand for a few hours. Pour the juice from the strawberries over the cake and mix it with a little brandy or even vanilla.

Whip and sugar the cream to taste and add a few drops of vanilla or the brandy. Spread the cake with a layer of whipped cream and strawberries. Top the cake with whole halved berries.

Strawberry Pie

For the crumb (or if you have any cookies you prefer) put into crumbs, 1 cup sugar, 1 cup butter. Mix all well and press on the pie dish.

Put just on the pie dish. Bake about 25 minutes in a 350° oven.

For the filling: 2 cups strawberries, 1/2 cup sugar

and 1 tbsp. gelatine (instant jelly powder can be used without sugar and gelatine. Follow instructions on packet), 1/4 cup cold water, 1/4 cup boiling water, 1 tbsp. lemon juice, 2 eggs, whites.

Wash and hull the strawberries. Slice them. Cover with sugar, and let stand for about 30 minutes. Mix the gelatine with the cold water and let it stand for a few minutes. Then add the boiling water and lemon juice and mix well. Strain the liquid over the berries and mix well. When the mixture begins to thicken fold in the beaten egg whites. If you wish you can also add 1/2 cup of whipped cream. Pour it into a cool baked pie shell. Top with a little more whipped cream and some of the finest berries.

Strawberry Pudding

1 cup whole strawberries, sugar to taste, 2 1/2 cups water, 2 tbsp. cornflour (or if you wish instant strawberry pudding), 1/2 tsp. vanilla, sweetened whipped cream.

Simmer two cups of the strawberries with sugar to taste in two cups of the water. Put through a sieve. Dilute the cornflour or strawberry pudding in the remaining water and add to the first mixture. Add the other two cups of whole strawberries and cook for five minutes. Add the vanilla. Pour into sherbet glasses.

Chill thoroughly and top with sweetened whipped cream.

Strawberries Flambé

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Britain—still two nations

ON the day of the presentation of the budget in the Westminster Parliament, the Trade Union Congress has threatened the terrible disruption and demoralization of a general strike in Britain, following a wave of labour unrest and strikes in such essential services as hospitals and the distribution of gas. Although the Heath have a way of taking such emergencies in their stride, and without panic, the malaise is too deep to be ignored by the Heath government or the public at large.

The present unrest cannot be seen merely as opposition to the Conservative government. The previous Labour government had its own share of labour problems, many of which they bequeathed to Mr. Heath. The latter has taken Britain into the expanded European Economic Community and at the same time has attempted to revitalize the British economy and especially its sagging foreign trade. But entry into Europe meant paying a price, part of which was an adjustment in Britain's agricultural policy, which meant sharply rising food prices, and the resultant general inflation.

There are many deep-seated motives for the anger of the British worker that go much beyond simple inflation. He still feels that Britain is divided into two nations: the rich and the poor. He is haunted by the spectre of unemployment and the shadows of the events which led to the great general strike of 1926, and years of mass unemployment during the depression after 1929. The decline of Britain as an imperial power, the loss of her colonies and dominions and the contraction of her traditional markets deprived Britain of a privileged position that came to be taken for granted. Now the inevitable entry into Europe, opposed by

so many people in England, has created the feeling that Britain is no longer in control of even her own economic destiny.

The recent financial crisis has possibly affected the pound sterling even more than the dollar. At home, Britain, like the rest of the world, is fighting the inflation which threatens to eat up every hard-won gain in foreign trade. Furthermore, life has become complicated and confusing, full of paper work in the welfare state which Britain has been since 1945. There is a feeling on the one hand, and pockets of poverty and had housing on the other, as a reminder that although the cleavages among Britain's social classes have narrowed considerably in the past generation, the gap is still wide.

Mr. Heath's policy of wage restraints has not had much success in stopping inflation. The offers made by the government to its civil servants have been meagre, while businessmen are becoming richer. The T.U.C. knows that it cannot change the situation radically and that even a general strike will not solve Britain's perennial balance of payments problem.

While understanding the grievances of the workers, Prime Minister Heath fears that by raising wages he will unleash more inflation and risk the wrath of his new European partners. Therefore if a strike is declared, it will be the toughest test he has faced since assuming office three years ago.

Britain's trouble should not make us look on our own similar problems as inevitable. On the contrary, it is a reminder that even power, close relations with neighbouring states and old-established world-wide contacts are no protection against economic crises. In each country, they must still be solved from the inside.

Russia no longer opposes American-sponsored Canal talks EGYPT ACCEPTS U.S. ROLE

An analysis of latest developments in the Middle East by Egyptian-born Nadav Safran, Professor of Government at Harvard, who is this year Visiting Professor at the Hebrew University, lecturing on the Arab-Israel conflict.

tion nationalism, on which they have always advised betting. They will also argue that Ismail's visit to Washington is the consequence of Egyptian moderation and desire for peace, on the one hand, and the success of American diplomacy in avoiding polarization and total identification with Israel, as they had advocated, on the other.

However, a White House that has taken dramatic initiatives in pursuit of a systematic balance of power policy on a global scale, that has enunciated the Nixon Doctrine with its emphasis on advancing American goals by strengthening the hands of friends, and that has just scored what it seems to be a triumph in Vietnam by a conscious application of a careful blending of military means and diplomacy — such a White House is conditioned to view the present American position in the Middle East in the terms indicated above, rather than in terms of the wishy-washy kind of "explanations" presented by Arabists and their friends.

3) The recognition of the dynamics of the present Middle East situation and of Israel's central role in bringing it about preclude any attempt on the part of the U.S. to repeat the 1959-1970 experiment of working out an "even-handed" plan and trying to impose it. Rather, the situation indicates policies that would consolidate and prolong the present American predominance, without alienating the instrument that made it possible. This means avoiding any course that is likely to lead to serious friction with Israel, while also doing something to defuse the threats to the favourable present American position.

Principal threat

The principal threat to the present American predominance derives from a combination of Egyptian frustration and Israel's intransigence. In the absence of any indication of progress toward a solution, Sadat's regime might finally collapse and give way to another that may have more appeal to the Soviets and therefore encourage them to come back and do for it what they refused to do for Sadat. Alternatively, Sadat himself might be compelled to give the Soviets the kind of position and assurance that would tempt them to do for him more than they were willing to do in the past. In either case, the Russians would be back as a factor actively contesting the American predominance.

4) To avert that danger, the U.S. has apparently decided to combine two previous ideas it had and try to promote carefully proximity talks on an interim solution. The merits of this concept, from the American point of view, are that an interim solution is acceptable in principle to both parties, that proximity talks offer the prospects of beginning semi-direct negotiations between them and relegating

the U.S. to a less intrusive role; that the whole project can give the Egyptians the sense that something is being done, and can engage the Israelis without arousing all their anxieties and bringing into play all their internal disagreements about the final settlement.

The U.S. realizes, of course, that previous efforts on its part to mediate an interim settlement foundered on the diametrically opposed aims that the parties sought to achieve through it. However, the deterioration of Egypt's bargaining position since that time leads the U.S. to think that there might be better chances now to find a formula that would at least get the talks between the parties going.

Such a formula might take the form of an announced agreement of the parties to negotiate an interim settlement as part of the effort to realize Security Council Resolution 242 of November, 1967, without their trying to agree in advance on the meaning of that resolution.

The talks matter

That talks based on such different initial concepts are bound to be very prolonged need bother no one. For, if there is agreement at all to hold the talks on that basis, that in itself would be an indication that the talks themselves are what matters most. For Sadat they would provide a pretence of movement and an actual effort to gain the U.S. to his view or to alienate it from Israel, while he has no better alternative. For Israel they would be a first step in the process of negotiation it has long been calling for. And for the U.S. they would be a means to prevent the deterioration of the present favourable situation and to prolong it as much as possible. And if, after all, the talks yield some results, these can only be of benefit to all concerned.

5) The American initiative has all the more chances of succeeding in that it is likely to command the support of the Soviets. Ironically, although one of the aims of the American move is to try to cut off the avenue for a return of the Russians to Egypt and maintain the present American predominance, the Soviets hope to gain from it in the longer run whether it succeeds or fails. If it should fail, the Egyptians might come back to them chastised and content with the scope and terms of Soviet assistance. If it should succeed, they, the Soviets, would at last see the Suez Canal reopened through American efforts after they had failed to accomplish this themselves, and the Egyptians would still be likely to need them in order to help them through the phases following the reopening of the Canal. In the meantime, the Soviets can attend to the really crucial game of trying to outbid China for the U.S. favour without allowing the Middle East conflict to spoil its hand.

MRS. Meir's visit to the U.S. could have hardly come at a worse time as far as the general mood of the public in the host country is concerned. Mrs. Meir arrived to find a public opinion that had been aroused to indignation by Israel's forcing down of the Libyan airliner, adjudged to be at best a tragic mistake. She had barely managed to explain when the American public was thrown into gloom by the cold-blooded assassination of its diplomatic representatives in Khartoum at the hands of Arab terrorists.

In a sense, the latter tragedy might be seen as helping somewhat to explain why the first occurred, by demonstrating that no action was too unlikely for Israel to guard against with the kind of enemy it faces. However, the double shock at the spilling of so much innocent blood by wanton deliberation or deliberate caution could only produce a sickening effect about the whole Middle East conflict and all the peoples involved in it.

This mood is unfair, but understandable, and though it will surely pass, it will also leave its mark. It is all the more unfortunate because the Prime Minister was entitled to expect, and did get, this time, an unusually large measure of understanding for Israel's needs and policies on the part of the authorities in Washington — an understanding based on the Administration's view of the present U.S. position in the Middle East and Israel's relation to it.

The Administration's view and the policies it indicates may be summarized as follows:

Sole arbiter

1) The U.S. has at last become the sole arbiter of the Middle East conflict. A few prescient observers had seen this coming for some time; now it is clear to all. It is reflected dramatically in the fact that the principals in the conflict have followed one another within a few weeks to Washington to plead their case. Above all, it is underscored by the fact that President Sadat, who had made a habit of casting the U.S. in the role of the Devil, felt compelled to insert his representative between King Hussein and Premier Golda Meir in the queue. The Egyptian President was in fact going by proxy to Caracas.

The Egyptian's visit may be politely depicted by tacit agreement of Washington and Cairo as part of a process of multilateral consultations. His trips to other Western capitals and his previous trip to Moscow may be cited as elements supporting that notion.

But the stark fact is that Ismail has gone to Washington only because Egypt had exhausted all its other options and has reached the end of its ways: international pressure on Israel in the style of 1956 did not come, the war of attrition was of no avail; the Big Four and Big

Two talks yielded no result; the implicit threat of Soviet all-out intervention did not suffice; the effort to embroil the Soviet Union in fact in such an intervention did not succeed; the threat of ending the cease-fire and resuming the war remained incredible; the attempt to play off Washington and Moscow against each other aborted; and the effort to mobilize a united Arab front or to form a Federation of Arab Republics to scare one superpower and impress the other had no effect.

The "expulsion of the Russians" was Sadat's last, desperate attempt to shock the Soviets into giving him more support than they had provided or to precipitate an American rush to take their place. When this too failed, there was nothing left for him but to plead with Washington for help.

Israel's stand

2) In the most relevant circles in Washington, there is a recognition that the present American position in the Middle East has been achieved mainly because of Israel's unflinching military stand and its insistence on certain terms for a settlement that it deemed minimal. Of course, American military and economic support and the U.S. role in deterring the Soviets had much to do with the achievement of this result; but the U.S. had been prepared to give up much sooner and even exerted considerable pressure on Israel itself to yield, prematurely as it turned out.

Naturally, people in and out of the American Government who have a vested emotional, intellectual, or material interest in denying credit to Israel argue and will argue that the "expulsion of the Russians" — the turning point in the situation — was merely an act of assertion of Egypt-

Dry Bones



ISRAEL PRESS

Another term for Mrs. Meir?

Davar (Histadrut): "The question whether Mrs. Meir will continue to serve after the elections depends on her decision only. There is no doubt, however, that her placement at the head of the list is desirable to all factions in the Alignment, to all former factions of the Labour Party and to all her potential successors." While it is really unclear whether the Prime Minister has decided to stand for another term, the paper says it will welcome a positive decision.

Ha'aretz (non-party), listing what it considers to be the advantages and disadvantages of Mrs. Meir's continuing to serve as Prime Minister, writes: "In the light of Israel's foreign relations, it is desirable that Mrs. Meir should continue to serve, since as Prime Minister she succeeded in establishing relations of trust and understanding with President Nixon, ensuring the continued friendship of the U.S. in the domestic sphere, however, she displays a lack of sensitivity reaching stupendous proportions at times, and there is no communication between her and the public—especially

youth. Her continuation in office will ensure that Israel will not agree to unnecessary concessions, but where domestic policy is concerned, it will ensure the marking of time."

Al Hamishmar (Mapam) describes the Prime Minister's visit to the U.S. as a very successful trip: "This tour has proven the value of Mrs. Meir's leadership, and there is no doubt that the Prime Minister herself has been persuaded that the time is not ripe for a change. Mrs. Meir's announcement of her continuation in office would be welcomed by public opinion in Israel in general."

Omer (Histadrut) hopes that Mrs. Meir will carry on as Prime Minister "since the State needs her talents and international connections." Ha'azef (National Religious) writes: "The solution to the problem of terrorism is international action aimed at compelling the Arab states to oppose terrorism. The Khartoum atrocities reinforce Israel's apprehension that the Arab states which support terrorism have no intention of negotiating with us."

LIBYAN PLANE

SINAI TRAGEDY

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — I read with horror about the bringing down over Sinai of a plane in which women and children were travelling.

But I read with greater horror the fanatic condemnation of this tragic disaster.

Surely the world should pause to look back and then to decide which was the greater crime, the downing of this plane or the past crimes of other nations in driving not one hundred women and children — but millions — to that unspeakable death of the gas chambers (in which I also lost many relatives from Paris, lawyers and poets, beautiful people all of them).

JULIETTE de BAIRACLI LEVI
Rosh Pina, February 26.

Sir, — Now that most of the facts are in about the Libyan aircraft tragedy, I still can not understand, with the availability of widespread radio receivers, which enable reception of a signal which is not exactly at the frequency of the transmitter (it may be quite far off), why the Bir Gafgafa radio station did not contact the plane; more than this, why did they not hear the plane's conversation with Cairo?

In any future crisis such as this, broadband communication must be used.
MARTIN S. HOWARD
Tel Aviv, February 27.

Sir, — Please allow me to express through your columns my shock and horror at the brutal shooting down of an unarmed civilian plane over the skies of Israel.

No "state of war" past provocation, etc., etc., can justify this outrage. It is — alas — only the (presently) latest step in the ever-increasing militarization of the State of Israel, a complete betrayal of all that it was once meant to be... and very briefly was.

There was a time when we Jews excelled in matters of the mind and spirit. I, for one, deeply regret that you have now reduced us to a trigger-happy little band of desert braves.
MIRIAM M. ABILEAH
Montreal, February 23

Readers' letters

Woman Health Minister wanted

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I am very much in agreement with Julian I. Meltzer's suggestion that the Ministry of Health should be headed by a woman physician, with the right professional and administrative qualifications, of course, and I hope to see this happen some day soon. In New York, there have been at least two very able and successful women in the office of Commissioner of Health — Dr. Mary McLaughlin, who is there now, and Dr. Leona Baumgardner, several years ago. Both have been very popular with their colleagues in the medical profession, and I have never heard anyone say that they were less able than the men who have held the same job, either as doctors or as administrators of a huge force responsible for the health of more than ten million people.

After all, this should be a woman's job. The highest health officer of a city or nation is like the chief executive housekeeper-plus-senior resident physician of a great hotel or other institution dealing with the welfare of the people living in it. I think it will be a wonderful thing if Israel can find and attract the right person to be its first woman Minister of Health. For one thing, I am sure she will be especially zealous about the purity of water, food, and the environment, and active in consumer protection as it affects family health in Israel.

ISADORA SAKIER
Tel Aviv, March 1.

MISSING IRONY

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — I was sorry to see that in your shortening my letter concerning Dr. Warhaftig and the missionaries (March 1), the intended irony was lost.

I am particularly sorry that you cut the part referring to historical precedents; in my view Dr. Warhaftig's intended crack-down smacks of a witch-hunt.

HENNING SCHWARZ
Ramat Aviv, March 1.

TOURISM LOANS

MINISTRY UNFAIR TO RESTAURANTS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — It is gratifying to note the achievements of our Ministry of Tourism during the last few years. Yet there is still room for improvement, especially as regards cafes and restaurants.

The Government grants long-term loans to luxury hotels on favourable terms for up to 60 per cent of the investment and allows them to import their equipment duty free. While this is as it should be, the Ministry of Tourism appears to overlook the infrastructure of the industry. Most tourists are booked for half-board at their hotels, that is breakfast and one meal a day. During the day, they are taken on tours and are served one meal at a wayside restaurant. In between these two meals, they are given a day or two off for rest, private visits and shopping. Stepping out of the luxury hotels, they are surprised by the inferior standard of equipment at most of the cafes and restaurants which the Tourist Ministry has "recommended for tourists." That sign on the door is about all their owners receive from the Government.

The tourists change their foreign currency at the hotels or at a bank and pay in the restaurants and cafes with Israeli money. Hence these restaurants and cafes earn no foreign exchange and are thus barred from importing duty-free equipment, a vicious circle they cannot break.

Small pensions and family-type hotels with 10 or 20 rooms, which offer the tourist a personal touch and which, in Switzerland and Austria, outamber the big hotels in rooms, are also discriminated against. All the Government help goes to the big operators. I would suggest that this policy be reviewed in the light of European experience and with more regard to fair play.

Haifa, January 22. ERICH KOHN

The Ministry of Tourism replies: It was kind of Mr. Kohn to point out the achievements of our Ministry in the development of tourism. With regard to the problem he men-

tions, we would like to inform him of the following facts:

1. The Government does not grant hotels loans amounting to 60 per cent of the total investment. The size of the loan varies from area to area and is governed by strict rules and criteria.

2. The problem of half-board as precondition to renting rooms to tourists was solved recently when the Israel Hotel Association abandoned this demand and agreed to rent rooms on the basis of bed and breakfast only.

3. We agree that there is room for further improvement of restaurants and cafes; that is why the Minister of Tourism discussed the problem not long ago at the convention of the Israel Merchants' Association, when restaurant and cafe owners were present.

4. It would be helpful if the district health offices and the municipal authorities showed more awareness of this problem and insured the maintenance of a satisfactory standard of cleanliness everywhere.

EVKA SHREIBOM,
Assistant Spokesman

Jerusalem, February 21.



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